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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

The <u>Brief Description of the Drawings</u> beginning on page 3, line 1 is amended as follows:

- Fig. 1 is a perspective view of an apparatus for stripping paint according to one embodiment of the present invention;
 - Fig. 2a is a front view of the apparatus as in Fig. 1;
 - Fig. 2b is a sectional view taken along line 2b-2b of Fig. 2a, shown when the trigger is at a first configuration;
- Fig. 2c is a sectional view taken from Fig. 2b, shown when the trigger is at a second configuration and shown with hidden lines depicting the apparatus when the trigger is at the first configuration;
 - Fig. 2d is a sectional view as in Fig. 2c, shown when the trigger is at a third configuration and shown with hidden lines depicting the apparatus when the trigger is at the first and second configurations;
 - Fig. 3 is an exploded view of the apparatus as in Fig. 1;
 - Figs. 4a 4d are perspective views of the apparatus as in Fig. 1 showing a scraping blade in various configurations;
 - Fig. 5 is a perspective view of an apparatus for stripping paint according to another embodiment of the present invention;
 - Fig. 6a is a front view of the apparatus as in Fig. 5;
 - Fig. 6b is a sectional view taken along line 6b-6b of Fig. 6a, shown when the trigger is at a first configuration;

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Fig. 6c is a sectional view taken from Fig. 6b, shown when the trigger is at a second configuration and shown with hidden lines depicting the trigger at the first configuration;

Fig. 6d is a sectional view as in Fig. 6c, shown when the trigger is at a third configuration and shown with hidden lines depicting the trigger at the first and second configurations;

Fig. 7 is an exploded view of the apparatus as in Fig. 5; and

Figs. 8a – 8d are perspective views of the apparatus as in Fig. 5 showing a scraping blade in various configurations.